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Size fosters prison problems

by Dan Ulett

Tom J. Mangogna, President of International Halfway House Association, gave a report of the current status of correctional institutions in Missouri last Friday at UMSL.

"It is in sad shape, and has been for many years. This is also true in other states," explained Mangogna. "The receiving and treatment of public offenders is handled by the Department of Corrections with its massive institutions. There is hope for Governor Bond's proposal of institutional improvements, but problems exist among the treatment staff in that there is a virtually insignificant number available; The so-called guards should be correction officers because they come in the most contact with prisoners."

Mangogna looks for a brighter future with the movement to get away from large institutions. However, if no other alternatives are suggested, they will continue to be built.

"The Board of Probation & Parole is in need of more personnel and manpower. One reason is an inadequate salary structure which in turn causes a high rate of turnover, something like 50%; the average officer lasts about one year on the job," Mangogna points out. "It usually takes at least a year before an officer can become a productive member of the staff. Starting

salary is \$6,500 for a probation patrol officer with a B.S. Money is needed to turn these 'green' officers into productive ones. It will be necessary to revamp the salary of the officer to \$9,000 by 1974-75 to retain experienced individuals who have to operate in the same social structure as everyone else.

"Jails are another problem. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce echoed that our jails are a national disgrace due to budgeting and the lack of programs for offenders during the wait before distribution of their case.

"Many prison programs were started by private agencies," Mangogna said. "Probation was started by a voluntary effort of a man who offered to pay fines for prisoners who could not pay them and were given jail terms instead. Halfway Houses were originated by religious groups

like the Quakers in 1840, but they were phased out because of opposition by patrol boards."

Mangogna delivered a word of caution. "If we turn over the concept of correction to community-based treatment, it's not going to help the community or the offenders. The public should intervene only if it can finance and control it. It all comes to either paying the price of decent programs or releasing offenders to re-establish themselves in crime. Citizens of community and state must let people know this is a priority as far as they're concerned."

Mangogna concluded his report by saying the regionalization of jails should be planned so that they can combine to form high-grade operations. Under new conditions, about 25% of those in prison would not be behind bars today.

Russell, Raish address legislative seminar

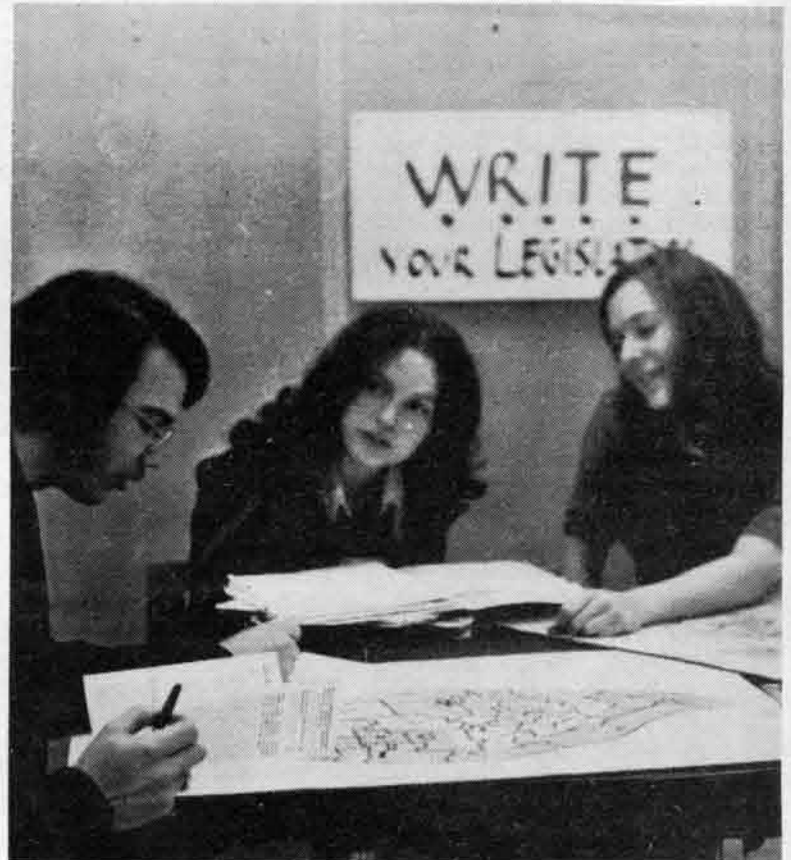
The first legislative seminar, sponsored by Central Council, is to be on Friday, February 23. The guest speakers will be Jay Russell (Dem.), chairman of the House Appropriations Committee and Bill Raish, (Rep.), a member of the House Appropriations Committee.

At the student government meeting, January 21, a motion was passed, "To establish an ad hoc committee to administer a program of legislative seminars, and to allocate \$100 to this committee with the function of acquainting legislators and students with each other." The committee with John Homan as chairman, decided to hold three seminars to fulfill this purpose.

The legislators will arrive at UMSL at about 11:15. At 11:30 the legislators will be present at an open dinner in Room 75 J.C. Penney. Also present will be the chancellor, Todd Dudley, Rick Blanton, Wil Grant, Terry Jones, Greg Burns, John Homan, Regina Ahrens, Judy Klamon and Pam Schnebel. All students are encouraged to come and talk informally with the legislators.

At approximately 12:30 the legislators will hold the main part of the seminar in Room 121 J.C. Penney. The legislators will answer questions from students and faculty at this meeting. The length of the meeting will depend on how much interest is shown, but is tentatively planned to last until 2:30.

In addition to the seminar this Friday, there will be two more seminars. The next seminar is Friday, March 16, with members of the Education Committees from both houses of the Missouri legislature. The last seminar, with leaders of the House of Representatives is scheduled for Friday, April 13. This is a good opportunity for students and faculty to, as the ad hoc committee stated, "acquaint themselves with the legislators and their role to the University."



Sue Schneider, a representative from UMSL's Women for Change, distributes literature on the Equal Rights Amendment.
photo by Vincent Schumacher

Shear to discuss ERA

by Mary Vernile

State Representative Sue Shear will speak at UMSL, Friday, Feb. 23. She will take part in a panel discussion of the Equal Rights Amendment, the proposed constitutional amendment that is now before the Missouri Legislature. Mrs. Shear cosponsored the resolution in the Missouri House of Representatives.

The Equal Rights Amendment provides that "Equality of Rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex." In order to become law, the amendment must be passed by thirty-eight state legislators within the next seven years. The amendment has passed in twenty-seven states so far.

The ERA has suffered a setback in the Missouri Legislature, being voted down in a Senate subcommittee. The amendment is now before the House Constitutional Amendments Committee.

One UMSL group, Women for a Change, is sponsoring a letter-writing campaign for the ERA, as well as the panel discussion Mrs. Shear will be involved in.

"We feel that sending personal letters to state representatives and senators is the most effective way of campaigning for the ERA," said Stacy Worthington, a member of Women for a Change. "This was part of the effectiveness of the Stop ERA campaign."

The Stop-ERA campaign opposing passage of the ERA in Missouri is led by Phyllis Schlafly, an Alton, Ill. attorney and chairperson of the National Committee to Stop ERA.

Mrs. Schlafly's group opposes the ERA because, they contend, it will deprive a woman of the right to be supported by her husband. Legally, the group argues, a wife will be forced to go out and earn fifty percent of the family's income. Stop ERA also fears that passage of the ERA will wipe out protective labor laws for women, laws against rape, and also fears that women will be eligible for the draft.

Proponents of the Amendment argue that a woman will not be forced to go out and work, but that for the first time her home-making contribution to the family will be considered in legal cases. They also argue that protective labor laws will be extended to cover men or to protect people on the basis of ability. Laws against rape may also be extended to protect men.

Proponents argue that since women have always been legally eligible for the draft, women may not be drafted under the Equal Rights Amendment. If they are, the criterion for combat duty will be physical ability.

The panel discussion will be held in J.C. Penney, at 12:30 p.m., Feb. 23.



Want to win your political arguments? Professor Harry Melman is offering just the course, under the auspices of the Community. See page 4.

photo by Vincent Schumacher

With six you get parking space

UMSL has reached its limit in parking spaces this year and must give serious consideration to next year's problem.

Rick Blanton, director of student activities, is convinced that the answer lies in student car pools. He sent forms to all students at the start of last semester to encourage them to join car pools and thinks the meager response was due to lack of incentive. He has several ideas which would make car pools more appealing but needs the support of the business office and the chancellor.

Editorial

First off, students need more time to arrange car pools. The present process includes filling out a car pool form, sending it to the student activities office, waiting for a computer listing of students in their vicinities with similar schedules, making necessary arrangements with those students, and buying a parking sticker all before the end of the first week's classes. Blanton said that students need at least three weeks to make these arrangements and he has asked that the deadline for the purchase of stickers be extended.

Secondly, car pools can be made more appealing with reserved parking places centrally located on campus. Blanton has suggested that a floor in the new parking garage be reserved because it is close to the University Center, a logical meeting place for car pool members.

Of course a cost incentive already exists for car pools since the cost of one \$25 sticker can be divided between members of the pool but this hardly compensates for the freedom of a private car.

Students need more. They need more time to form car pools and they need special parking privileges once their pools are formed.

Sure there are other answers. Students can finance another million dollar parking structure and use up what little land is left on campus. But car pools are ecologically and economically more feasible.



Current mail

Bookstore proposal

To the Editor:

In going to college today, the primary concern of most students is to get a good education, but for a low cost. One way to reduce the cost of going to college would be to lower the cost of books.

In the newest of the independent campus newspapers, an article brought out the fact that a private concern owns the bookstore. The space in the student center is rented to this concern by the University. If the University were to run the bookstore on a non-profit basis, more reasonably priced books would have to be a result.

UMSL could hire an accountant and manager to head the bookstore operation, possibly from UMSL grads who know the plight of the student. The University could hire other needed help from the UMSL population. If the twenty to thirty thousand dollars that are collected as rent are needed to retire the bonds against the building, this amount could be added to the budget. The outcome would still have to be a lowering of the cost of books.

The cost of books today is phenomenal compared to that of just six years ago and any way to reduce this expense to the students merits thought!

Dan Claudy

Si, se puede

To the Editor:

For the most part, we all tend to sit back and watch the world go by. We may become active as election days arrive or when an important issue such as abortion comes into the limelight but candidates come and go and issues die and we go back to our sitting and watching. We may remain very vocal. To many people, including this writer, are all too willing to express opinions that have very little action behind them and it usually ends there. Well those days are over!

Wednesday night, February 14, Cesar Chavez appeared with 75 fellow farmworkers at Washington University to try and gain support of St. Louisans to boycott stores selling non-union lettuce. Sounds trivial? How does it sound to work for \$2976 a year? How does it sound to leave your home and travel hundreds of miles in wretched conditions knowing you will return no better off than when you left? How does it sound that the infant mortality rate for Mexican-American

farmworkers is 125% higher than for white Americans? It's beginning to sound more tragic than trivial, isn't it.

What do they ask of us? Only to refrain from buying and head lettuce from grocers (particularly A & P) selling non-union lettuce. This doesn't mean that you have to abstain from that leafy vegetable entirely. You can buy union lettuce at some grocery stores and you will know it by the Black Aztec eagle on the cellophane wrapper.

If your level of social consciousness hasn't been sufficiently raised yet, consider the fact that about 3300 heads of pesticide-tainted lettuce were sold in the St. Louis area within the last month.

Now, if you think they have a just, but futile cause, you're wrong. They won the grape strike on July 29, 1970 and they'll win this one, with our help. Their motto is Si, Se Puede which means "It is possible," and with that kind of determination you can't lose.

It's so little to ask and the outcome will be so great. By the way, if you're not a big union supporter, ask any union member what his union means to him and you may have to endure three courses of "Solidarity Forever."

So the next time you sit down to a meal, have a real "Cesar Salad." Buy Union Lettuce. Si, Se Puede!

Maureen O'Connell

Lounge opposed

Dear "Sir:"

I am writing for two reasons; I guess you might say I have some good news, and some bad news. First, the good news. I would like to compliment the staff of the *Current*, and its new Editor, Ms. Ahrens, on what appears to be an upswing in the quality of their publication. For several semesters the paper was reading like "The Outlaw--Bel-Nor Edition." It had long passed the point of enjoyment for me, even though I consider myself somewhat left of the precise middle of the political spectrum. Still the paper, unbalanced as it had become, was of necessity destined to improve; only one direction remained open to it. Once again, thank-you, Ms. Ahrens.

Second, after reading of a proposed "Women's Lounge" on campus, I was left in a state of ironic disbelief. A "Women's

Lounge" indeed! Anyway, the concept recalled to my mind a cycle that seems to be inevitable in gaining "civil rights." The Oppressed group first embarks upon a crusade against the racist and/or sexists, by attempting to abolish their racist/sexist institutions, i.e., the all male bars, the all white country clubs, etc. Upon succeeding in this goal, the "Oppressedes" begin to develop their own racist and/or sexist institutions.

The most blatant example of a racist organization I can think of is the Association of Black Collegians. A "Women's Lounge" would be the most blatant example of a sexist institution ever to be suggested for the UMSL campus. I can well imagine how the feces would hit the ventilator if an all male lounge were to be proposed, or an "Association of White Collegians." If we are ever to do away with sexism or racism, let's do away with them in their entirety; not condemn them for some, and condone them for others.

Respectfully yours,
Michael P. LaBrier,
UMSL Alumnus, and
News Editor of the
Florissant Reporter

Letters must include the author's name and phone number. Names will be withheld upon request. Letters over 150 words may be edited for length at the editor's discretion.

Husband

he knows
if he stops
for only a second
the metal gear
will rust.

peter carlos

Aimless Nights

the capricorn
draws
from her quiver.

she waits under veils
without water
to cool her breasts.

a yellow moon
listens
from a safe distance.

peter carlos

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Nixon impoundment exposed

by Bruce Barth

Nearly everybody who has watched NBC in recent months is aware of the controversy aired over President Nixon's impounding of funds appropriated by Congress. But how many know exactly how this is done, where the money is kept, and what happens to it after impoundment? A recent trip to the White House revealed the answers to these and many other questions.

The President has authorized an eight man crew to roam the hallways of Congress in search of stray funds. Anything not on a leash is considered fair game. This crew, called "the White House Stray Fund Patrol," is headed by a rather suspicious looking man named Dewitt Tuethem III, famous heir to the Ralston-Purina fortune.

I went to talk to Dewitt last week, and he graciously granted a tour of his entire office. In the White House's bottom floor, extreme right wing, is a small grey room. (legend has it that this was once a guest restroom). The room had to be converted when the old pound, initiated by Thomas Jefferson, became too small for the President.

It's a small portion of the building few people know about; the President, a few Congressmen, but few others. In fact, we are told that not even Pat knows about it; which is not surprising, since she is only allowed on the second and third floors.

Anyway, the mahogany door has been replaced by a huge steel vault, built for "security reasons." Over the door are the words, "Fund Pound." Attached

to the door, near the handle, is a sign saying "We accept Carte Blanche."

Once inside, we see Tuethem's desk, cluttered with stacks of papers. On the right hand corner is a red phone that serves as a direct hot line to Nixon's budget director, Casper (Cap the Knife) Weinberger. Surrounding the desk are nearly one hundred cages of various dimensions, ranging from a hamster cage to one large enough to accommodate a full-grown donkey. As a matter of fact, it often does.

There is surprisingly little noise for a pound--a few whimpers, but little more. In all, it's a rather depressing sight; not unlike most things in the capitol.

Dewitt, who was seated at his desk, invited me in and offered a chair. After he showed me pictures of his family taken at Key Biscayne (they're being held hostage until the end of the year) I asked him what happened to the funds impounded.

"Well, if they go unclaimed for more than six days, we have to put them to sleep."

"But isn't that a bit extreme?" I asked.

"Congress seems to think so. They want us to give them at least 30 days notice when we bring in a new stray, I suppose so that they can take steps to get them out. But can you imagine the cost of feeding and lodging 15 billion dollars in funds?"

"I guess that is awfully expensive. What's that over there in the gilded cage?" I asked.

"Oh, about \$6 billion in water pollution measures."

"And how about that small mutt over there?"

"That's a mixed breed. It's part environment, part labor and a little education."

"It's really cute, though," I said. "It's a shame to think that it's headed for such an unhappy end."

"Don't worry about him," Dewitt reassured. "Nixon's adopting him to pay for his inauguration."

Suddenly the door crashed open and a burly man with an enormous net waddled in, tugging a huge load. With a tinge of pride in his deep voice, he bellowed, "Just got this one off the streets--literally--it's \$5 billion in highway funds."

Dewitt looked concerned. "He looks awfully big and mean. Put it over there in the large cage between farm subsidy and public assistance." Then grabbing a form from the file cabinet, he asked "Who does it belong to?"

The fund-catcher looked down for a moment, then said, "It looks like Jacob Javits."

As Tuethem strained over the form, filling out a description, I was able to ask one last question. "Obviously, you now possess a lot of power with this position. Do you intend to seek a political seat once you're finished here?"

Dewitt looked up, seemingly perturbed by the query "Well yes, as a matter of fact, I do. But I want the highest seat in the nation. I'd like to take my boss' place someday. Unfortunately, it doesn't look like Kissinger is ready to give that up."



Don McLean, pickin' and grinnin' on his latest L.P., "Don McLean." photo courtesy United Artists

McLean's latest effort falls short of Pie

Don McLean/Don McLean/United Artists

It was only about one year ago that Don McLean made his grandiose entrance into pop music mania with his super hit "American Pie." Not only did it become a number one seller, but it soon turned into a catchphrase as trite as any commercial jungle. In short, "American Pie" suffered under the disease called overplay.

Record Review

by Steve Diesel

One of the worst results of this "over" success was that it turned a lot of serious attention away from McLean himself. Don McLean had become a bubble gummer, and over such a fate one has little control. But its time to forget about the Chevy, the levie, the whiskey and rye, and look at McLean's new album on United Artists, *Don McLean*.

Lyrically, McLean is witty and poetic, although sometimes verbose. "Narcissism," "Pride Parade," "Oh What a Shame," and "If We Try" demonstrate McLean's special talent with a pen. McLean seems to see the world through a complex perspective, where simple matters take on more than one dimension. "Pride Parade" is a perfect example.

The album, however, suffers from a flaw so deep that it demands recognition. The music is grotesquely underscored. In almost all of the cuts the arrangements are primitively simple. On the other hand, in "Narcissism" and "Dreidel" the brass productions sound corny and amateurish.

It's difficult to weigh the elements that makeup McLean's new album and come up with any kind of explicit judgement. McLean's lyrics are well worth hearing, but breaking through the musical backup is a true anguish. In the end, McLean may have to wait around for us one more time.

'Fantasticks' presented by touring company

The Fantasticks, the longest running off-Broadway play in American theatre history, will be presented at 8 p.m. Saturday, February 24, at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Curtain is at 8 p.m. in the J.C. Penney Auditorium on the UMSL campus. The musical will be performed by the Continental Theatre Company, a professional touring repertory theatre.

Gonna Rain," and "Never Say No."

Written by playwright Tom Jones, with music by Harvey Schmidt, *The Fantasticks* features such familiar songs as "Try to Remember," "Soon It's

The production of *The Fantasticks* here is sponsored by the University Program Board. Tickets are \$2 with UMSL I.D. and \$4 for the general public.

Storefront



*in the beginning
a child holds his silver cup
and drinks the lavender fluid
to ease pain
and his young ways.*

*he sucks grape Kool-aid
tasting granulated sugar
on his silent tongue.*

the wet is good.

*soon the sugar turns bittersweet
and makes him half drunk, half
crazy.
his thin lips swell,
his mouth dries up
and a once candied-coated tongue
covers the passage where it all
begins.*

*in the beginning
the taste was good.*

peter carlos

Communiversality

Communiversality Free Courses for March and April (Spring Fever Antidotes)

(Students can participate in any of the following courses by signing up at the Information Desk).

MATHEMATICS FOR FUN -- Alan Schwartz (Math. Dept.) Excursions into mathematics for the pleasure and enlightenment of all concerned. Topics will be chosen to suit the abilities of class members. The students should be comfortable with elementary algebra.

PHOTOGRAPHY FOR BEGINNERS -- Vince Schumacher (Current Director of Photography) The members of the class will help to determine topics covered. Possibilities include, but are not limited to: composition, developing and printing, creative photography, portraits and animal photography.

RACISM AND AMERICAN SOCIETY -- Jeffrey Scott (Students for a Democratic Society) Purpose of the class is to generate discussion between campus activists and non-activists on the concrete realities of racial injustice and possible ways to change things. Topics to be covered are: What is Racism?; Racism and University Admissions Policies; Welfare Cuts and Job Discrimination; U.S. Foreign Policy and Racism; Academic Racism; Building

Welfare Cuts and Racial Oppression; U.S. Foreign Policy and Racism; Academic Racism; Job Discrimination and Unemployment; Racism and the Oppression of Women; Building a Movement Against Racial Injustice.

HOW TO WIN AN ARGUMENT ON POLITICS -- Harry Mellman (Political Science Dept.) An organized bull session on political subjects. Students may have to be reminded that they have ears for a purpose. Fee of \$1.00 per student to go to the UMSL Student Loan Fund.

COMICS (APPRECIATION) -- Matt Sheahan (comics aficionado) Informal lecture/seminar course pooling students' and teacher's knowledge in a area ripe for study and serious appraisal. Students are required to have an open mind for unit on underground comics. "Since summer 1960 I have been an aficionado (as opposed to the term fan) of comics. First bought a Green Lantern for 10¢; continuously bought comics since then, with a short boycott against 12¢ comics. I am a music major with no art training whatsoever (would greatly appreciate help on his in class) and little training in language arts, but have an exciting enthusiasm to raise consciousness levels to the idea that comics are not illiterate substitutes for prose, but an art form, complete in themselves, and acceptable as such for serious study."

ZEN MEDITATION -- Larry Duncan (English Dept.) Traditional Za-Zen. Sitting full or half-lotus position for approximately a half-hour meditation. My teacher was Shunryu Suzuki Roshi of the Tassajara Zen Monastery (Soto Sect) in Carmel Valley, California.

INTER-PERSONAL GROUP AWARENESS -- Darryl Landau (Office of Public Information) An open-forum type of class, lightly structured, with the emphasis on meeting new persons and finding out about them. This course is not designed to be a dating service for UMSL. The course will meet once a week for two hours or so. Much of the class time will be spent in discussion of such topics as: friends, how to make them and why they are important; role playing situations to find out more about oneself and how groups function.

HATHA YOGA -- Carlos Flores (St. Louis Yoga Center) and Linda Kick Psycho-physical exercises, asanas (postures), breathing, and conscious relaxation to bring about physical well-being and integration of body and mind.

SHORT PROSE WRITING -- Eric Adams (Author of *Once a Pawn of Time*) The course will provide a limited introduction to some of the good weird writers of yesterday and today, which should give weird writers of tomorrow many ideas on which to express themselves on paper. They will then be subject to beneficial criticism good and bad, from classmates, teacher, and self.

STAR TREK, HOW AND WHY IT WAS MADE -- Barbara Relyea (English Dept.) A study of how Star Trek was developed, sold to network T.V. and produced, the philosophy of the series and the creator Gene Roddenberry. Also includes the activities of Star Trek Association For Revival. Teacher is a member of STAR, a Star Trek fan from the beginning, and a science fiction fan since 1965.

AUTO-MECHANICS FOR THE NOVICE -- Bill Edwards (Director of U. Center) Theory of operation of auto engines, chassis, and brakes. Practical experience in tune-up, lube, etc., and consumer knowledge.

APPLIED AUTO-MECHANICS FOR BEGINNERS -- Gary Bindbeutel (Communiversality alumnus) This course is to be an applied course, where theory is brought up only to explain areas of misunderstanding. Stressed will be a working knowledge of the simpler elements of auto self-repair.

AUTO-MECHANICS FOR WOMEN -- Darryl Landau (Office of Public Information) A beginning course in the basics of auto mechanics expressly designed for women who know little or nothing about cars and want to learn. The rudiments of the course include lectures, question and answer periods and actual work on the students' cars.

Search

(SEARCH) Special Education Association For Retarded Children And The Handicapped, an UMSL campus organization, is meeting Wed., Feb. 21 at 11:30 a.m. in Room 331, BE.

No dues are required, just your time. For information call 453-5126.

Multi-media View

The Intervarsity Christian Fellowship of UMSL is working together with the chapter from Washington University to bring *TWENTYONEHUNDRED* to St. Louis. This will be its first presentation in the midwest. *TWENTYONEHUNDRED*, a 90-minute multi-media presentation is designed to present a world view. It will present several philosophies of life, and develop them. Hopefully, it will stimulate thought and discussions about one's own personal philosophy.

TWENTYONEHUNDRED will be shown at Washington University's Newman Center on Forsyth; March 7 at 7:00, and March 8, 9, and 10 at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. A one dollar donation at the door is requested. For more information, contact Madt Malinckrodt at 721-3497, or Chris New at 521-9156.

Accounting Guests

The Accounting Club and Delta Sigma Pi wish to announce a general meeting set for February 28, at 12:40 p.m. in Room 222 of the J.C. Penney Building.

We are privileged to have Mr. Rudolf Brunovs and Mr. Mitchell Trapp as our guest speakers.

These two gentlemen will present the differences in the accounting procedures applies in Australia and the procedures in the United States.

Budget Review

The Student Activities Budget Committee will be reviewing requests for funding from the Councils, publications, music, forensics, drama, programming, orientation, and student services. Other requests from recognized student groups may be submitted by March 5th, 1973, to the Central Council. All requests will be subject to review by the Committee.

Grievance Seminar

The Grievance Committee of Central Council will sponsor a "Grievance Seminar" Feb. 28 and March 1 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the University Center.

Elected officials of Central Council, the chancellor, the dean of students and the assistant dean of students will be invited to attend these seminars.

Women's Seminars

Members of the UMSL faculty, staff and student body are invited to take part in a Women's Study Conference, March 24-26. The conference is sponsored jointly by the Ethical Society and Webster College.

Gloria Steinem, editor of Ms. Magazine, and Margaret Sloan, the founder of the Chicago Black Women's Caucus and a member of Ms.' staff will take part in some of the conference activities.

These activities will include public lectures, a feminist art exhibit at Eden-Webster Library, and a feminist film festival at The Varisty Theater. Another important activity will be a conference on Women's Studies.

Anyone interested in attending may contact Sarah Schramm at 8715 Bridgeport Avenue in Brentwood.

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Music from three nations offered by Orchestra

The University of Missouri-St. Louis Orchestra, under the baton of Clarence Drichta, will present a concert featuring music by Italian, Russian and Brazilian composers at 3 p.m. Sunday, February 25, in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. The concert, which is free and open to the public, will feature soloists Aleksander Ciechanski, Jane Strickert and David Hawkins.

Ciechanski, cellist with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra and a member of the UMSL music faculty, will be soloist in the Tchaikovsky "Rococo Variations for Violoncello and Orchestra."

Hawkins will perform an oboe concerto by Tomasco Albinoni.

A graduate of Webster Groves High School, Hawkins is a sophomore music education student at UMSL and a student of Richard Woodhams, applied music instructor at UMSL and principal oboist of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra.

An unusual piece by Villa-Lobos, "Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5 for Soprano and Eight Cellos," will feature soprano Jane Strickert, who is completing requirements for her Ph. D. at Washington University under the tutelage of Leslie Chabay.

Also on the program are Tcherpin's "Fanfare for Brass and Percussion," and Rossini's "L'Italiana in Algeri."

KWMU Weekly Highlights

Daily 6-9 am Morning Classics and News: with Bob Eastman and Mike Charls

Thursday February 22 8 pm "World's Great Music" Festival of Flanders, 1972 (#1) (mono) 9 (36:25)

Mozart: Divertimento in D, K. 136
Walton: Sonata for strings (European premiere)

Friday February 23 7:15 pm Chamber Music Hour: Varese: Offrandes (1921) for soprano, piccolo, flute, trumpet, trombone, harp, strings and 6 percussion
Ives: Sonata #2 for Violin and Piano
Dodgson: Concerto for guitar and chamber orchestra (1956)

11 pm "Friday Magazine" (Student operation)
12-7 pm "Midnight til Morning" (Student operation)

Saturday February 23 6:30-9 pm "Big Band Bash" I with Charlie Menees

Sunday February 25 12-7 pm "Midnight til Morning" (Student operation)
6:30-8 pm "In the Tradition" folk music with B. Abrams

Monday February 26 7 pm "The King of Instruments" with Ronald Arnatt (taped at Christ Church Cathedral)

Tuesday February 27 8 pm KWMU Special: Milhaud-"Christophe Colomb" (opera)

Wednesday February 28 8 pm "At First Hearing" Martin Bookspan, Irving Kolodin, Edward Downes. #68



Last Wednesday the UMSL campus was visited by a famous personage from the north. No, it wasn't our beloved President Richard Nixon, it was the Abominable Snowman. As the snow fell big as feathers on the undeserving urban university sidewalks, out stalked the Snowman from our newest parking garage. The faceless man in his "Billy Jack" hat, Elvis Presley hair, and identifying badge, tried to spread cheer to the dull campus. He was mut with jeers and excretions. The frats termed him a freak and the freaks labled him a frat. The "normal" people just ignored his presence. Guided by his three faithful snow elves he was led through various buildings greeting all students with a friendly ooga booga. He visited a psychology class in Stadler and was laughed out of the building. After propositioning an ice machine in the cafeteria, the Snowman left in disgust with his elves. He vowed at the next snowfall to seek revenge on a campus without a sense of humor. P.S. Confidential: yes, Virginia, every day is Halloween! So leave your mask on! photo by Steven Kator

Blue music scheduled for lounge

Blues singer Olive Brown will appear at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, Friday, February 23, in a free program sponsored by the University Program Board. The public is invited to hear Miss Brown from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the

University Center lounge.

Ralph Williams, guitar, and John Nixon, bass, will accompany Miss Brown at UMSL in such numbers as *Nobody Knows You When You're Down and Out*, *Backwater Blues*, *Outside of That*, *Pigfoot*, *Middy Water* and others.

Flicks of the week

Friday, February 23rd: 2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY Directed by Stanley Kubrick, script by Arthur Clarke. 7:30 & 10:20 p.m. 101 Stadler Hall 75¢ with UMSL I.D.

Saturday, February 24th: 2001: A SPACE ODYSSEY 8:00 p.m. 101 Stadler Hall 75¢ with UMSL I.D.

Monday, February 26th: QUACKER FORTUNE HAS A COUSIN IN THE BRONX Directed by Waris Hussein, starring Gene Wilder and Margot Kidder.

2:40 & 8:00 p.m.

101 Stadler Hall

Tuesday, February 27th: MEDIUM COOL Directed by Haskell Wexler. 3:00 & 8:00 p.m. 101 Stadler Hall 110 minutes

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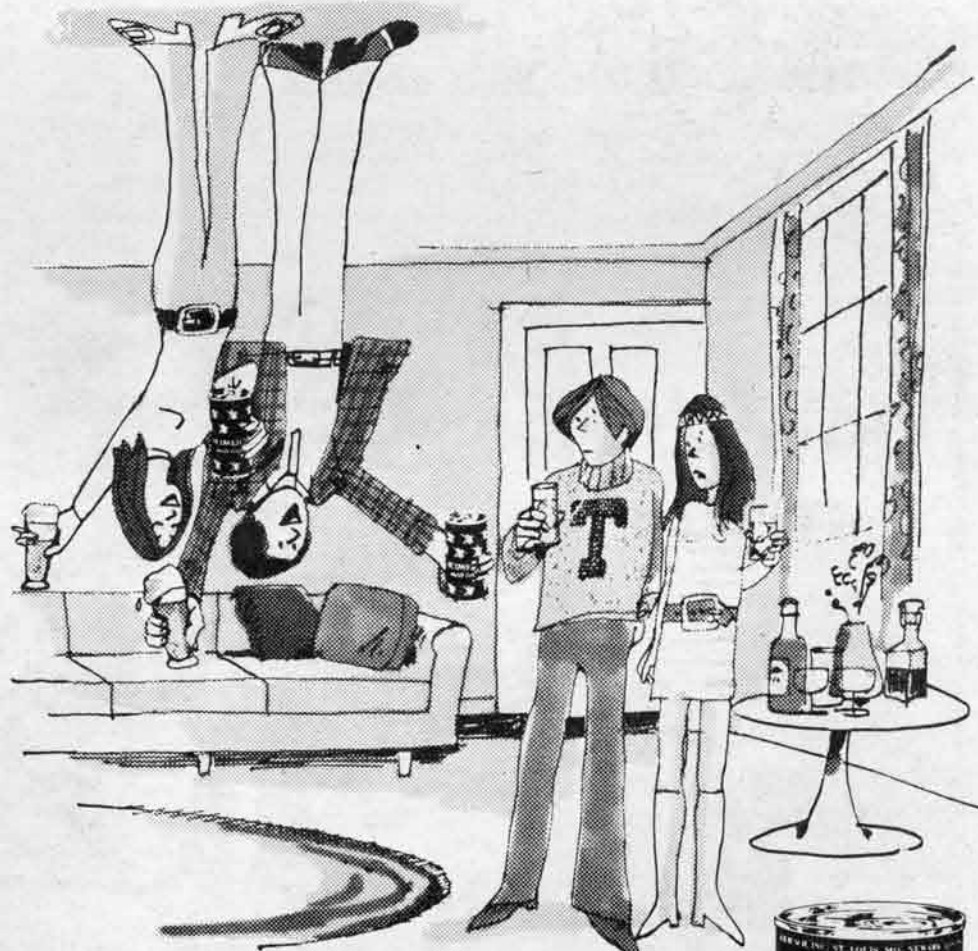
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Collecting history of St. Louis on tape

by Lucy Davis

On November 19, 1971, students at the University of Missouri-St. Louis were treated to a jazz concert which featured seven prominent jazz musicians of the 1920's and 1930's. The person who was primarily responsible for this musical confection as well as jazz concerts at the University each year is Mrs. Irene Cortinovic, the assistant director of the archives and manuscripts collection at UMSL.

Together with other archivists, interested students and faculty members, Mrs. Cortinovic has been collecting St. Louis' history on tape. Individuals whose pasts have influenced the development of the heritage of St. Louis are interviewed in the archives department at UMSL which is located on the second floor of the

Thomas Jefferson Library. If a trip to the University's library is inconvenient for the contributor, the tape recorder is sent to his home and the individual may record at his leisure.

"Dr. Richard Resh, an associate professor in history at UMSL, made the first deposits of oral history recordings," said Mrs. Cortinovic. "I became interested in the possibilities of such taped interviews when I was engaged in research for my graduate thesis, 'The History of Music in St. Louis.' I discovered that a lot of the men who had played leading roles in the dissemination of jazz from New Orleans to St. Louis were still around, with interesting stories to tell and talent which deserved another hearing."

"I'll admit that I was a bit worried during that first concert because I wasn't sure how the students would react to these

older musicians. However, the applause was terrific and it came in all the right places. It was really a joy for me to see how much everyone appreciated the performance," said Mrs. Cortinovic.

On February 23, another contributor to Mrs. Cortinovic's oral history collections, Mrs. Olive Brown, a gospel and blues singer with a Mahalia Jackson type of musical phrasing, will perform at UMSL.

"New topics are always being added to the oral history collection," said Mrs. Cortinovic. "For example, I am making tapes which concern immigrants and people involved in the Women's liberation movement."

made tapes. Furthermore, all the speeches of the campus speakers who have appeared at UMSL, including Dick Gregory and Senator Stuart Symington, have been recorded by the Archives' inter-

viewers.

The success of Mrs. Cortinovic's work has prompted many professors at UMSL to allow their students to substitute oral interviews for written term papers.

"I feel that it is far more interesting to listen to someone who has actually made history than to digest the information from 'X' number of books and to later regurgitate it back upon paper," said Mrs. Cortinovic. "Oral history gives the students more of a sense of immediacy."

Unlike most repositories, material from the archives of UMSL library is loaned out. Students may listen to the tapes at the archives department, read the transcriptions of the recordings, or run off a part of the tape recordings on blank tape and use it as an aid for secondary education classes.

The Archives and Manu-

scripts Collection of UMSL contains more than the oral history tapes and manuscripts. All St. Louis publications, newspapers, the *UMSL Current*, bulletins, anything which promulgates student activities, and a large photograph collection are also kept by this department. It is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesday.

"The only thing we really lack in the archives department is personnel," said Mrs. Cortinovic. "We do not have the money to pay a large staff, consequently, we have difficulty in doing our research. Students who use the archive facilities will therefore benefit us as well as themselves. I am sure that once a student becomes involved in this work he will become as fascinated and excited about it as I am."



The campus can be beautiful; as this night view illustrates. photo by Steven Kator

No city is an island

by Howard Friedman

Seemingly we are all well aware of the great propensity of problems that racks the greater St. Louis region. Most of these problems, although they effect us all, manifest themselves most obviously in the core city -- St. Louis. With city-wide elections slated for this Spring, there is the distinct possibility that enlightened leadership and new solutions can surface -- if we act now. Herewith some modest proposals offered freely to any and all candidates on how to fix St. Louis.

First, and most obviously, St. Louis needs money. We suggest that the city sue Detroit, Mich-

igan for seven (7) billion dollars on charges of fraud. Along this line we ask you two questions: 1) Is St. Louis not the largest city in the state of Missouri? 2) Is not the abbreviation for Missouri Mo.?! Thus the only rightful community with grounds to call itself "Motown" is obviously St. Louis. Let us end this farce! Detroit has been passing itself off as us for too many years -- now is the time to get back at them. Not only would such a settlement provide plenty of hard cash but it could also give this region a foothold in the lucrative record biz.

Secondly, as we all know, the city is legally a creation of the state. Local government is under the thumb of state govern-

ment. Thus Jefferson City and the state legislature can be a key to solving the problems of the urban complex. But in the past there has been too much petty bickering and self (and rural) centeredness on the part of state government. Jeff. City needs to become more aware of America's urban problems. As such we suggest the city quickly act to set up a secret agency. The agency should be called the (shhh) C.I.A. for (hush, hush) Agencia Inteligencia de Cervantes. This (hash, hush) secret agency, we believe, should promptly stealthily steal across the state and kidnap Jefferson City. This should present no real problem for that sleepy hamlet can easily fit into Forest Park. And being located in the Central City should assuredly awaken state government to St. Louis' problems.

And finally, if the first two prove unworkable, which we diligently doubt if a diligent effort is diligently put into operation, there is one more solution as we see it.

St. Louis has long been hampered by artificial boundaries. Costs for needless services keep rising as the city's tax base runs to the county. St. Louis needs, therefore, to cut itself free of these shackles. We suggest, then, that the next city administration take the Revenue Sharing money and buy a giant buzz saw. If all 28 Aldermen were to chip in we feel confident that the city could be detached from Missouri in one evening. It could then float down the Mississippi and attach to Memphis. Then St. Louis wouldn't have to worry about St. Louis any more!!! -- it would be Memphis' problem.

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P.E. Programs

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The opinion so widely aired in the Senate Meeting Thursday was that the priorities for this campus have become distorted.

John T. Onuska, associate professor of English stated that the Curriculum Committee of the Senate had no right to approve the program when Humanities on this campus was severely hurting.

Chuck Smith commented that for four years he was the only one students could go to for advisement if they were interested in P.E. He said that he advised students as to what courses they should take until further program development was realized. The Dean of the School of Education four years ago was Adolf Unrue who assured Smith as did his predecessor, George Mower, that as soon as P.E. facilities were provided, a program would be likely to follow. During the change of the Deans, the program rested in limbo according to Smith and it was not until now that it had the opportunity to gain any momentum.

"Now that the facilities are here," said Smith, "it would be a shame to waste them."

In spite of the validity of the program, many questions need to be answered according to Connett, Senate Curriculum Chairman. "Who referred them to Smith as an advisor when there was no program? Now that the program has been referred to the long-range planning committee, how are the students going to be compensated? And finally, is there a way to prevent this carelessness with student's lives and University priorities in the future?"

Communications

Communiversity courses

Communiversity of UMSL will be scheduling a session of free university mini-courses open to both the university population and the community. Registration begins Monday, February 19. The classes will be held during March and April. To participate, interested people should sign the registration book at the Information Desk of the University Center Building. These subjects will be offered:

Mathematics for Fun
 Racism and American Society
 Photography for Beginners
 Comics (Appreciation)
 Short Prose Writing
 Zen Meditation
 Inter-Personal Group Awareness
 How to Win an Argument on Politics
 Auto-Mechanics for Beginners
 Auto-Mechanics for Women

Trip to Spain

Interested in taking a summer vacation flight to Spain? Students, faculty and staff of the University of Missouri and their families can participate in this trip from May 15 to June 10. The cost is \$660.00 maximum.

The cost includes round trip air fare from St. Louis to Seville, one week in Madrid with tour to Toledo, El Escorial and Valley of the Fallen, one week in Seville, one week in Cordoba, and one week in Granada.

For more information, please contact: Michael Mahler, director of the language lab, room 119 Clark Hall, 453-5182.

Ping pong tourney

UMSL Table Tennis Club is sponsoring their Spring Tournament. The tourney will begin March 3, and continue depending on the number of entries. Trophies will be awarded. To enter, sign up in the Fun Palace.

Homecoming activities announced

This year's homecoming activities will include the traditional "welcome home, alumni" theme along with special activities to commemorate the return of Prisoners of War from Southeast Asia, according to Rick Blanton, director of student activities.

"We are trying to get as many organizations as possible involved in economically feasible projects," Blanton said. "No big elaborate displays," he added.

The cheerleaders have scheduled the second annual "Men's Beautiful Leg Contest," Wednesday, Feb. 28 at 12:45 p.m. in the J.C. Penney Auditorium. Following this event is a co-ed team "Raw Egg Throwing Contest" Friday, March 2 at 12:45 p.m. on this hill north of the Fun Palace. Winners will be awarded trophies in both events.

Decorated cars will follow a campus parade route beginning at noon, March 2. First,

second and third place trophies will be awarded for the cars best incorporating the school colors (red and gold) and the team names "The Rivermen" and William Jewell's "Cardinals."

The week's activities will be culminated with a bonfire at 8 p.m. Thursday night. A short memorial service commemorating the peace treaty will be followed by a pep rally.

Tickets are also on sale for the dinner dance at the Marriott Hotel Saturday, March 3. Tickets are \$3.50 per person and are available at the information desk in the University Center.

Groups interested in participating in activities may sign up in the Student Activities Office, 262 University Center. All proceeds from fund-raising activities will be added to the fund to honor UMSL students and alumni who have served in Southeast Asia.



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D'Antoni-two time winner

by Lucy Davis

"Nice guys finish last" is a popular expression which does not apply to Vincent B. D'Antoni, associate professor of finance at UMSEL. He is also a nice guy who has finished first, twice.

In 1965, while an assistant professor in finance at Washington University, he was named the Outstanding Teacher of the business school, and on January 19, 1972, D'Antoni was chosen as the Outstanding Teacher for the 1972-73 academic year by the UMSEL Alumni Association. He was presented a plaque by James Issler, president of the Alumni Association, at an informal ceremony on campus.

"I was surprised that I was selected for the Outstanding Teacher award by the UMSEL Alumni," said D'Antoni. "I feel that many of my colleagues deserve it more than I. I am just a teacher. I do not make great demands of my students. All I ask is that they come to class with open ears to listen and open minds to learn."

After he received his B.A. degree from Tulane University in 1940, D'Antoni was the executive assistant to the president of the Standard Fruit & Steamship Company. Later, he held partnerships with investment banking and food brokerage firms. In addition, D'Antoni became the director of the Manufacturers Bank & Trust Company, and St. Joseph's Institute for the Deaf.

He is also a member of the Beta Gamma Sigma honorary society. D'Antoni received his master's and doctorate degrees from Washington University. He came to UMSEL in 1966 and has taught workshops and finance and investment courses.

"I came to the University of Missouri with Emery Turner, dean of the School of Business Administration, and a group of young colleagues," said D'Antoni. "In the beginning I felt like the old man of my department. Now, I am 55 years old, but I have discovered that youth is simply a state of mind. A man can stay young if he likes what he does for he will like himself. I find teaching stock market investment exciting and stimulating. Furthermore, Turner's excellent recruiting program for the business administration department and my student's reactions in class have made my teaching experience at UMSEL quite enjoyable."

D'Antoni is a pleasant, soft-spoken man. While at work he occupies an office on the 13th floor of the Political Sciences-Business Administration Building which reflects his personality; simple, yet warm and comfortable.

"I believe that I am an introvert," said D'Antoni. "Being shy helps me to reach my students because I must try harder. I respect the students of UMSEL because they have intelligence and a down-to-earth, common-sense approach to life."



Vincent D'Antoni
photo by Vince Schumacher

Ground beef is a girl's best friend (next to diamonds, that is)

90% of the student on this campus are responsible at one time or another for preparing meals for themselves and/or their families. The purpose of this column is to present suggestions to help make this task easier.

Ground beef is one of the best friends a busy cook can have. Ground beef frozen in patty form can be transformed into a hot meal in minutes. Single patties can also be defrosted quickly in the oven, broiler or frying pan to be added to chili, spaghetti sauce, or casseroles.

The new one skillet dinners are another kind of friend to have on your kitchen shelf. Leftover cooked vegetables can be added to these already delicious dishes to make them even more tasty and economical.

Do you have any special cooking tips or shortcuts that you would like to share? Drop me a note about in in care of the Current office.

by Stanley Tolpen

Many people who are following the sun and stars believe today is the Aquarian Age--an era in which one will seek out the truth, experiment, and retire to meditate.

Yogi Bhan is a herald of this new era, simple reflecting the Aquarian ideal. He has come to American from New Dehli with 22 years of study and devotion in the search for truth to teach the secrets of the ancient science of Kundalini Yoga--the Yoga of the Aquarian Age.

Bob Singh Taylor is a student-teacher of Kundalini Yoga at 3HO Ashram House, 5397 Watterman. He feels that Kundalini

Yoga can help people live a "Healthier, Happier, and Holier" way of life.

Taylor is one of the 60 student-teachers now conducting classes in Kundalini Yoga in 3HO Ashrams, Y.M.C.A.s, prisons, parks, high schools, and colleges throughout the country. He started practicing Kundalini Yoga under Yogi Bhan at U.C.L.A. and has taught at the St. Louis Ashram for the last three years.

Taylor said, "The Kundalini Yoga technique involves uncoiling the coiled energy under the navel point, raising it through the spinal column and injecting this energy into the pineal gland, which is the seat of the soul."

Taylor described Kundalini Yoga as the Yoga of Awareness. He said, "Kundalini Yoga combines many of the disciplines that Hatha, Bhakti, and Karma Yogas have. It brings control of the senses, so that an individual, through conscious control, can withdraw all causes which could lead to unhappiness or have a negative effect on his personality."

Kundalini Yoga has proven very successful in providing an alternative to cigarette smoking and drugs. Taylor said, "We have held special clinics where cigarette smokers practiced Kundalini Yoga and had positive results. Kundalini Yoga also helps an individual in withdrawing from the temporary 'high' states achieved through drugs. Instead, it provides them with the valid spiritual experiences of a positive nature."

Taylor feels that Kundalini Yoga can help bring a positive balance within a person so that he can lead a healthier and happier life. He said, "There is nothing mystical about Kundalini Yoga. We use scientific techniques to make a person more aware. People come here to exercise. These exercises stimulate the nerves to make them healthier. Usually, people can overcome problems by releasing their tensions through yoga."



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'No-name' swimmers out to prove point

by Kevin Slaten

Little known to most UMSL patrons is the fact that there are three winter sports taking place on campus. The trio includes basketball, wrestling and swimming.

Swimming? Isn't that what people do at vacation resorts, summertime country clubs or sunbaked beaches? Oh, c'mon, that's just for Californians and Hawaiians.

Well, add St. Louisans to the list. Although practically anonymous, UMSL's tankers have splashed their way to a 7-4-1 record this year while the coaches and some parents have been the only witnesses of this sparkling record.

The latest victory was a 63-50 win last Saturday over Washington U., an established power, at the Bear's pool.

UMSL has tied Washington U. earlier in the season and a loss in this meet, in coach Fred Nelson's words, "...would have made the entire season unsuccessful."

It was a grudge match in more ways than one. Last year, when these teams met, one of the no-names was disqualified on a technicality after he had already won his event. It was a key event that eventually contributed to UMSL's defeat.

Some pre-meet maneuvering by Nelson was definitely a key strategic move that worked in UMSL's favor. Mark Grienbaum, one of the best swimmers around,

was a roadblock for UMSL. Nelson practically conceded his events and scheduled his men around Grienbaum. The Bears' ace went on to win his three events.

Nelson will take none of the credit, however, for an amazing turnaround from the 1-6 record that plagues UMSL's program last year. What about it, coach?

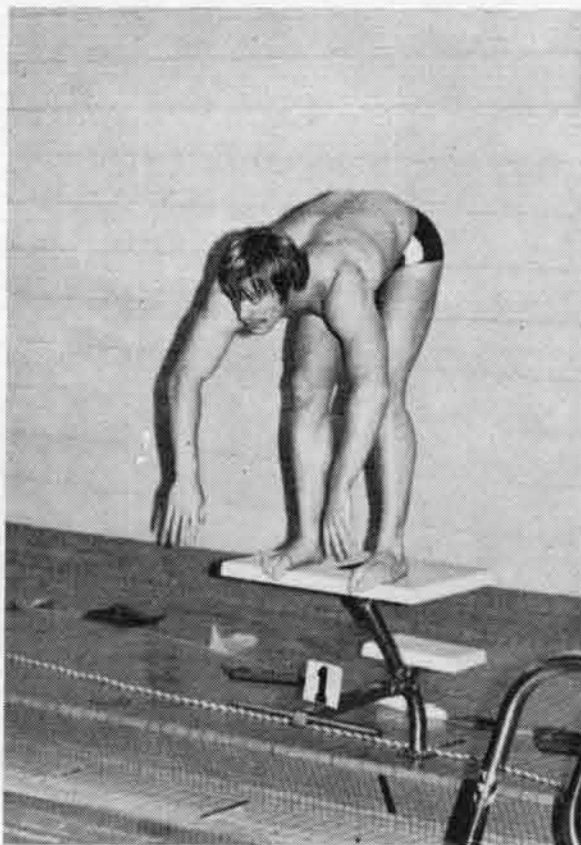
"If the people knew the physical tortures these guys go through all year long, they have practically no motivation at all. No scholarship held and practically no recognition. I just couldn't be prouder of th 6 guys."

And the no-names coach, how do they feel about it?

"The boys feel that they have a point to prove. They're tired of being laughed at."

This year, the swimmers have had a few chuckles themselves. They have proven that dedicated, hard work and perseverance can bring home success.

Case in point would be the victory at Washington U. Many of the no-names swam events that they had never swam before. For example, Steve Stiffelman swam the 200 I.M. for the first time all year. Not only did he win the event, but he set a school record of 2:23:1 in the process. Bill Vordtriede won both the 100 yd. and 50 yd. freestyles. Randy Breihan came out on top in both the required and the optional diving events. Unfortunately Monte Strub ran into some bad luck



Bill Vordtriede (left) and Randy Breihan displaying the type of form that has resulted in a highly successful season.

in the 200 yd. butterfly, setting a school record of 2:18:1 but losing to Grienbaum.

It was a great team effort and the final relay bore this out. The Rivermen had to win this event in order to win the meet. The sharks came through in a 3:35:6 time which bettered the school record by nearly 5 seconds.

Since only a few of the names have heretofore been mentioned, everyone can see this devoted band of crusaders on display at the Washington U. Invitational March 2-3 at Washington U.

Nelson's pride should be ech-

oed by every UMSL student. The Rivermen swimmers are to be laughed at no more but should be lauded for their incredible performance. They should be an example of what pride and discipline can bring to their owner.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 22

7:00 p.m. Judo Club Co-ed Instruction
8:00 p.m. UMSL Junior Varsity Basketball at Mo. Baptist

FRIDAY, FEB. 23

Last day to file Senate applications
Feb. 23, 24, 25 United Front Student and Community Conference (East St. Louis) For more information call 314-725-1082.
11:45 a.m. Blues singer, Olive Brown in U. Center lounge
12:40 p.m. Central Council Legislative Seminar, with State Reps Jay Russel and Bill Raisch on "Appropriations Methods in the State of Missouri" in #121 J.C. Penney Bldg.
3:00 p.m. Physics Seminar with Professor Kirk W. McVoy-University of Wisconsin (Madison) 504 B.H. Preceded by coffee at 2:30
7:30 & 10:20 p.m. Film "2001, A Space Odyssey" \$.75 with I.D. 101 Stadler Hall
8:00 p.m. Peace and Freedom Party Coffee House, Acoustic and Electric Music, FREE, U. Center Lounge

8:00 p.m. UMSL Varsity Basketball UMSL vs. U. of Wisconsin (Kinosh) at home
11:00 - Friday Magazine
12:00 a.m. KWMU Student Program.

SATURDAY, FEB. 24

8:00 p.m. Theater, "The Fantasticks" \$2 with I.D. J.C. Penney Aud.
8:00 p.m. Film "2001, A Space Odyssey" \$.75 with I.D. 101 Stadler Hall
8:00 p.m. Phi Beta Sigma 8th Gateway Classic Greek Festival Dance at Slaqui Room, St. Louis U. \$2.50 advance \$2.75 at door

SUNDAY, FEB. 25

2:00 - Judo Club Women's
4:00 p.m. Kata Instruction and Men's Practice

MONDAY, FEB. 26

11:30 a.m. First Communion Class on "Racism and American Society" Room 272 U. Center
2:40 and 8:00 p.m. Free Film "Quackser Fortune Has a Cousin in the Bronx" 101 Stadler Hall
3:30 p.m. Social Science Colloquium with Hugh Nourse "Racial and In-

come Filtering in the St. Louis Housing Market" (Coffee will be served)

8:00 p.m. UMSL Varsity Basketball at Indiana State, Evansville.

TUESDAY, FEB. 27

2:45 p.m. Christian Science Organization open meeting 272 U. Center
3:00 and 8:00 p.m. Cool" 101 Stadler Hall

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28

12:40 p.m. Accounting Club and Delta Sigma Pi General Meeting with guest speakers Rudolph Brunvos and Michael Trapp
8:00 p.m. UMSL Junior Varsity Basketball Here vs. Boy's Club of St. L.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

7:00 - Judo club Co-ed instruction
7:00 p.m. First Communion Class on "Interpersonal Group Awareness" 404 B.H.
7:30 p.m. Lecture on Transcendental Meditation 203 Benton Hall
8:30 p.m. First Communion Class on "Mathematics for Fun" 272 U. Center

'Student Appreciation Night' tomorrow

This Friday, Feb. 23, has been designated "Student Appreciation Night" for the UMSL student body. This means that each UMSL student may bring a guest for no charge. The Wisconsin-UMSL game promises to be a great battle between two streaking

ing teams. The Rivermen have now won three in a row.

There will also be a meeting for all prospective tennis players in the athletic office of the multi-purpose building at 3:30 on March 1st.

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Task Force One Report

Reappraisal of the University's role as an urban university

Task Force One was called by the Chancellor to reappraise the University's role in the urban environment. The reason for such a reappraisal was twofold. The University is committed to a continual evaluation of its performance, and may have questioned whether the University is indeed performing this role that it proclaims. This proclamation is stated in the University philosophy and purpose: (selected statements)

... The University should be taken to the people rather than forcing the people to go to the University.

... The University of Missouri-St. Louis--an institution located in the midst of the metropolitan area, readily accessible to those who desire its services, sensitive to the needs and problems of the urban environment, and eager for that kind of interaction which will mutually benefit the urban community and the University.

... The University accepts its responsibility for the preservation, discovery, creation, and dissemination of knowledge. In order to perform its assignment at that level of quality which the people of Missouri deserve, the University will constantly and aggressively strive to achieve the kind of national prominence and visibility which can derive only from excellence of program and faculty.

... The University of Missouri-St. Louis exists: 1) to provide moderate cost education for those students who evidence an ability to meet the requirements established for the baccalaureate and higher degrees; 2) to bring quality graduate and professional education to St. Louis for those who cannot or do not wish to leave the urban area; 3) to encourage that research which is the necessary adjunct of such education, and which responds to the problems, needs and opportunities of an urban setting; 4) to provide an opportunity for advanced and continuing education for the citizens of the metropolitan community.

Materials Surveyed by the Task Force

The Task Force decided that it would have to survey and inventory what was being done on campus before it could make any recommendations about what ought to be done. Therefore, the following materials were collected:

1. Alumni data: their geographic location, occupations, and employers. (Appendix One)
2. Survey of Department Chairman on the ways in which each department adapts to its urban environment. (Appendix Two)
3. Report of Ad Hoc Committee on Urban Involvement. (Appendix Three)
4. Annual Report of the Center for Community and Metropolitan Studies. (Appendix Four)
5. Annual Report of the Extension Division. (Appendix Five)
6. "Fitting the Course to the Case," article by Center for Metropolitan and Community Studies published in *Commerce* that described the things UMSL is doing for business locally (Appendix Six)
7. First Annual Report of the Business School's University Year for Action Program. (Appendix Seven)

Finally, it was felt that a wider view should be obtained from students and faculty. Therefore, a public hearing was held at which we suggested some possible Task Force as new recommendations. A summary of the hearings was reported in the Faculty Newsletter (Appendix Eight).

Summary of findings on how the University is fulfilling its role as an urban university

One has a sense of the multiversity from reading these documents. Few seem to be aware of the true breadth and depth with which UMSL is indeed carrying out its self-proclaimed purpose of being an urban university. The word urban, however, may not be a useful defining word for the role of the University. A better way to describe the purposes outlined above is to ask how the University adapts to its constituency and environment.

First, the University says it exists, "to provide moderate cost education for those students who evidence an ability to meet the requirements established for the baccalaureate and higher degrees." Students at UMSL, for the most part, come from the St. Louis area, work during their college years, and after graduation find jobs in the St. Louis area. Of the 5,839 graduates, 4,971, (85%) have remained in the St. Louis area. Most hold teaching and business jobs throughout the area. The University has brought higher education to the Metropolitan Area at a cost that was not previously available. We do not have data on the average income of all students or their families, but we do have some data on the income of students in the Evening College. Although three-fifths of the students were supporting one or more dependents, and fully one-fourth owned their own homes, the mean income of students was \$6,672 in 1970-71. Thirty-eight percent of the students had incomes less than \$6,000 with an average of \$2,944. Thus, even that group of students often thought to be more affluent were not.

An important way that the University is meeting the needs of the inner-city financially and educationally disadvantaged student is through Project United. This year the program has extended its services to 71 students. These services include financial aid, counseling and tutorial help. The student admitted in the program has tuition paid for the first two years of college. He received special counseling, and tutorial work in writing and mathematics. This special program is reaching disadvantaged students who could not otherwise afford to go to college, and who would not likely make it without the follow-up advising and tutoring.

Students, faculty and staff are invited to express their views on the Report of Task Force One at an open forum beginning at noon, February 27 in J. C. Penny Auditorium.

Courses in all divisions are arranged so that students can work 20 to 30 hours a week to put themselves through school. Several graduate programs are only offered in the evening. More than half of the evening undergraduate classes and almost all of the graduate classes are taught by regular staff as part of their teaching load. The evidence is clear that the University is bringing higher education to St. Louis at a cost not previously available to students. Thus one purpose of the University is being carried out.

A second dimension of the purpose of the University is to be "sensitive to the needs and problems of the urban environment, eager for that kind of interaction which will mutually benefit the urban community and the University," and "to encourage that research... which responds to the problems, needs and opportunities of an urban setting."

Although there is no centralized degree in urban affairs, there is a wide variety of courses on urban questions. Faculty in and out of the Center for Community and Metropolitan Studies are active in research on urban topics--topics that range from mass transit to teaching reading in the inner city. The faculty on campus are not only teaching and conducting research on urban questions important to the people of St. Louis, but they are placing students in intern programs, using them as assistants in their research projects, and bringing knowledgeable men in St. Louis affairs into the classroom. Facilities in the metropolitan area, such as the zoo, Missouri Botanical Gardens, hospitals, community development agencies, and criminal justice agencies are some of the many areas in which arrangements for training of UMSL students are made. The Business School is running a program in which students spend a year in an action agency in the city and obtain college credit for the work. Education students receive their practice teaching in city and suburban schools. The Education faculty are consultants on special programs for solving problems of education in the changing urban environment.

A third dimension to the purpose of UMSL is "to provide an opportunity for advanced and continuing education for the citizens of the metropolitan community." The Extension

division is active in establishing short courses on a wide variety of topics. Some sessions have brought research conducted by faculty to those citizen groups who need to know and can do something as a result of the research. They have also developed courses for upgrading skills of people in blue collar and white collar occupations. Instruction under the auspices of Extension has been given by many regular faculty at UMSL, as well as by other experts. Extension has also helped to conduct academic institutes--research sessions on scientific topics.

A fourth dimension of the UMSL purpose, "to bring quality graduate and professional education to St. Louis for those who cannot or do not wish to leave the urban area," has been only partially fulfilled. The University provides professional degrees in business and education, doctorates in chemistry and psychology, and masters degrees in economics, history, political science and sociology. The limitation to develop more programs has been funding.

Selected Suggestions for Change

There is not a self-satisfied complacency about our accomplishments, but a continuing desire to do more and better. At this moment a large number of suggestions for improving the performance of the University have surfaced. There have also been many suggestions in past years. The limitation to enacting most proposals is the limited budget available to this campus. For example, UMSL has the highest student-teacher ratio of all the other state colleges and universities. There is also a shortage of financial assistance for students, for administrative funds to run the University, and for developing new programs. Many ideas have been brought forward only to die because there are so many needs to be met with the funds available.

Examples of programs delayed or not established because of lack of funding are masters degree programs in several departments even though approval and capability were already established, a proposal for a School of Urban Planning, and the proposal for the UMSL Humanities Center at Laclede Landing.

It has been pointed out that there is a need for additional professional programs for students, including nursing and allied health sciences programs, social work, etc. Currently there is a proposal to meet the needs of the older working student for a degree in general studies that counts some job experience for degree credit. There have been suggestions for degree programs in urban affairs and administration of public policy.

The previous Chancellor's Ad Hoc Committee on Urban Involvement made several recommendations with respect to UMSL's urban commitment:

"In order to encourage mission oriented work in the urban field, the committee recommends the following assignments:

- 1) A university group be charged with exploring a definition of measures of faculty accomplishment in urban related projects.
- 2) Through the appropriate university offices, a formal program of personnel development be instituted, aimed particularly at helping younger faculty focus productively on urban engagement.
- 3) Student participation in community programs be encouraged under guidelines that lead to papers, research projects, and the like, worthy of academic credit.
- 4) Some person or persons be placed in a central university office to help push and select appropriate projects, to facilitate development and management of development and management of development projects, and to help define proposals and secure funding."

They also made comments on the role of the University in the immediate Normandy Area:

"The committee perceives that both the rapid change and the "Balanization" of the Normandy area pose special threats and opportunities for UMSL. Faculty and students should be encouraged not only to develop projects that could benefit the immediate area, but also to serve on community councils and boards of as staff for specific projects."

Almost all of these problems were reiterated by the faculty and students at the hearing that the committee held. In addition to the University's role in the Normandy area, the following problems were raised:

- 1) There should be a day care center for children so that more mothers could attend the University. A proposal to establish a self-financing center is under consideration by several campus groups.
- 2) We should expand the curriculum to provide more degree programs.

- 3) We should eliminate the fee inequity between day and evening students.
- 4) We should provide scholarships for part-time students.
- 5) It was recommended that the library centralize the acquisition, storage and retrieval of urban materials under the charge of a library staff specialist.
- 6) UMSL does not know what other parts of the university, say UMC or UMR, are doing in the community, and these people do not call upon or know what expertise is available on the St. Louis campus. There is clearly a need for some recognition or cooperation of community development agents and other extension personnel directed from other campuses. If UMSL is to be the University's link to St. Louis, then it should have some connection with the community development work in that area. Otherwise, many are working at cross-purposes. Furthermore, the UMSL campus is hampered in its attempt to develop internships in local government.
- 7) There was a long discussion about whether there should be established a mission-oriented urban problem solving institute in the Extension division. One argument seems to be that there is a faculty with skills that would be useful in solving urban problems. Therefore, there should be a mechanism for them to buy time from teaching and be allowed to work on such questions full time. Another argument for a mission-oriented institute is that there is a communication gap between faculty with skills and government officials needing information and analyses. Most agreed that the University should not engage in short-run fire fighting problems. If a group were formed it should engage in longer term (two-three year) projects.

There is a staffing problem. If the regular faculty move in and out of the institute whenever they conduct projects, the teaching departments will have difficulty staffing courses. A tenured faculty member can only be replaced by a temporary person, since the tenured faculty would only be on leave and could demand return to his home slot. It is already true that the half-time slots in the Center for Community and Metropolitan Studies are difficult to maneuver whenever many persons wish to move from the Center to a department. The question of how urban problem solving research should count toward tenure was also discussed, but not resolved.

This capsule version of what the University is doing and how it is evaluating its own performance is almost unfair. We are sure that we are leaving out many active interactions--interactions between campus faculty and local businesses for one. We are sure, too, that we have missed recommendations previously made and suggested, as well as problems that have been posed. Nevertheless, we believe that most of the key issues have been covered.

Recommendations of Task Force One

The Task Force has reviewed the above materials and decided that many worthwhile recommendations relating to the urban role of the University are continually being presented for evaluation, and that we would therefore, concentrate on types of institutional reorganization that would enable the faculty to perform its function more effectively. We are also well aware of the shortage of money to accomplish the many worthy goals that members of the faculty and administration wish to achieve. Our specific recommendations are as follows:

1. Some person or persons be placed in the Extension Division to serve as a matchmaker between problems in the community and faculty expertise.

Our first recommendation relates to the often repeated suggestion for an urban mission-oriented problem solving institute. We believe the arguments against the specific development of such an institute in Extension to be strong. Nevertheless, the Extension Division is already a mission oriented institute, and the communication gap between action groups and researchers does exist. The previous ad hoc committee on urban involvement in covering this ground also made the same decisions and recommended that some person or office be established as a clearing house. The development of such an office in the Extension Division would provide a place through which community requests to the University could be funnelled and to which all could go for information of what is going on. There is still the danger that people will consider this *the* urban function of the campus, when it is clearly only one part. An additional

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point in favor of creating the position is that an individual, action oriented, could be placed in charge of the University relations with its own neighbor, Normandy.

2. All extension agents in the St. Louis Metropolitan Area be assigned to the UMSL Extension Division. This recommendation might require a training program for community development specialists in metropolitan problems--a task that the UMSL campus is well equipped to perform.

Our second recommendation is related to the first. There are currently extension and community development personnel in the St. Louis area working with communities, but not attached to Columbia, with lines of communication to Columbia and not to the St. Louis campus. This has hampered efforts of faculty and extension on this campus to carry out its responsibilities in the St. Louis area. It would clearly be desirable if these community development agents and extension personnel in the St. Louis Area reported to UMSL Extension. They would help bridge the communication gap between expertise available in the University System in St. Louis and problems.

3. The Senate Committee on Appointments, Tenure and Promotion should be charged with exploring a definition of measures of faculty accomplishment in urban related projects.

The Task Force could come to no resolution of this subject, but decided that the problem of how urban problem solving research is counted toward tenure and promotion should be explored by that group on campus advising the Chancellor on these matters.

4. Executive Order No. 8 should be repealed or modified to make it possible for the University to be an equal participant in local community affairs and the academic community.

Executive Order No. 8 requires user charges on buildings and for parking by all groups that might use the University's facilities. Since financial provision for these facilities has been taken care of other ways, the fees are not required. Their existence hampers the delivery of

University services through extension to the community.

5. Instead of the President of the system participating in St. Louis affairs, he should delegate the Chancellor of the St. Louis campus, so that ties can be developed between community leaders, and the arm of the University system delivering education and research to that community.

To put the university in a community to educate its children and then take away its ability to work with that community is to hinder the institution in any attempt to perform its designated function.

6. Establish an administrator to develop cooperative internships and work-study programs for students.

Faculty and staff have gone a long way toward developing intern programs with local governments and businesses, but it would be extremely helpful to add a staff member to the Chancellor's Office, whose sole responsibility was the development of cooperative programs with local business and government. To undertake and establish such cooperative efforts requires the help of a full-time administrator.

7. The Library should centralize the acquisition, storage, and retrieval of urban materials.

8. Establish a self-financing day care center so that more mothers can attend the University.

The Task Force finds this recommendation marginal to its purpose. Nevertheless, it would bring the University closer to the people.

Conclusion

Most of our recommendations are suggestions for additional staff that would enable the faculty to accomplish its role in the community more effectively. We have not mentioned additional degree programs. We do not believe that they are needed to carry on the purpose of the University in St. Louis. There are unmet demands. Just as the University should continually evaluate whether its degree programs are serving the community, it should continue to explore new programs as fast as new money can be made available, or as fast as resources can be shifted from outdated programs. There is no question that more resources are needed if UMSL is to perform its teaching, research, and extension roles in the St. Louis Area.

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